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TO AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

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USNS ARGENTIA

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TAGS MARR,CA

SUBJECT ARGENTIA LABOR DISPUTE

REF OTTAWA 1871

I HAVE REQUESTED ARGENTIA TO FORWARD COPY OF THEIR VIEWS RE
SUBJECT DIRECT TO EMBASSY SINCE MY VIEWS MAY, IN SOME
RESPECTS, BE AT VARIANCE WITH THEIRS.

AS I VIEW THE SITUATION, IF AN ELECTION IS HELD TO DETER-
MINE IF ATRADE UNION SHOULD REPRESENT THE APPROPRIATED
FUNDED LOCAL EMPLOYEES THE ONE THING RESOLVED AT THE
MAY 7 MEETING WAS THAT EVERYTHING RPT EVERYTHING WILL BE
SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION AT THE BARGAINING TABLE. AT THE
SAME TIME THE USN STATED IT IS FIRM ON THE ISSUE THERE
CAN BE NO NEGOTIATION OVER WAGE RATES AND THAT WAGES WILL
BE DETERMINED BY A WAGE SURVEY. SIXTY-TWO PERCENT OF THOSE
INVOLVED HAVE STATED IN PETITION TO CO ARGENTIA THEY WANT
NO UNION AT ALL..

THE RECENT PAY INCREASE MAY ONLY BE A STOP GAP MEASURE.
I BELIEVE THE WORKERS ARE REASONABLY HAPPY WITH IT AT THIS
TIME. YOU CAN EXPECT MP WALTER CARTER TO TELL THEM IT IS TOO
LITTLE AND TOO LATE. SOME MAY BELIEVE HIM. COMMENTS ON
CARTER POUCHED.

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FYI. WILL BE AT GOOSE BAY UNTIL FRIDAY. IF YOU NEED MORE
INFO IN INTERIM SUGGEST YOU TELEPHONE CO ARGENTIA, CAPT
JARVIS, AC 709-226-5111.
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